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**DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION** 

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Electrical Examiners

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

PSC Hearing Room, first floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: April 4, 2012

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert MacLennan, President, Professional Member Daniel Creedon, Vice-President, Professional Member Jack King, Continuing Education Officer, Professional Member Nathan Schreppler, Board Secretary, Public Member Thomas Hartley, Professional Member Frank Beebe, Public Member Richard Millar, Public Member Bobby Murrian, Professional Member

#### **ABSENT**

William Poore, Public Member

## **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL**

James Collins, Director
Kay Warren, Deputy Director
Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General
Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II
Juli LaBadia, Court Reporter

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Louis Travalini George Brewington III Joe Williams George West David Potter John Souder James Murphy, Jr. Walter Brittingham Dale Davis James Timmons, Jr. Jeremy McEntire Dean Sherman Orville Mills James Timmons, Sr. Doug Drummond Bruce Emerson

Michael McFann

L. Gene McFann

Rob Briccotto, Jr.

**Betsy Jones** 

Tom D'Andreamattea

Kathleen Kriss

Denise Kriss

Carl Jones

Ed Krull

Jacob Jackkoch

Charlie Robbins

Jim Whitesall

Cheryl Heiks

Anthony Abbate

Eric Johnson

Bill Noble

Joe Greenley

Don DiSharoon

Finn McCabe

Nick Sebastian

Mark Caulse

Nick Fedirko

Leroy James

Robert Smith

**Brian White** 

Robert Tudor

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. MacLennan called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

The agenda was amended to correct the approval of last month's minutes to reflect February 1, 2012.

The agenda was also amended to add Robert McConathey as 4.3.6, Kaleb Brashear as 4.5.5 and corrected 4.4.52 from Journeyperson to Apprentice.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2012 meeting as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Proposal to Deny Continuance Hearing – William Noble

The hearing went on record at 9:37a.m.

Mr. Stevenson introduced the purpose of today's hearing was a continuance of the proposal to deny hearing for Mr. Noble from the February 1, 2012 meeting.

Mr. Noble was sworn in.

The Board members were introduced.

Mr. Noble testified that the criminal convictions that occurred when he was 17 years old were questioned during the first hearing and they do not reflect on the person he is now. Mr. Noble added that he did send in the recommendations that the Board requested and he also had three character/professional witnesses present for today's hearing.

Mr. Stevenson marked as Respondent's Exhibit #1 the recommendation letters from First State Inspection Agency, Renee Walker-Johnson, and Heather Quigley and the Custody Consent Order from Family Court.

Eric Johnson, witness #1 for Mr. Noble, was sworn in and testified that he was a Master Electrician in Delaware and has worked with Mr. Noble since 2000 and has had Mr. Noble under his supervision since 2009. Mr. Johnson added that Mr. Noble is an excellent electrician, his children are friends with Mr. Noble's children and he has nothing negative to testify.

Mr. Noble asked Mr. Johnson to testify on his electrical experience.

Mr. Johnson stated that he has worked with Mr. Noble on both residential and commercial jobs and that Mr. Noble's electrical knowledge and rapport with clients generates business.

The Board had no questions for this witness.

Joseph Greenley, Jr. was sworn in and testified that he works in the field with Mr. Noble, but he himself is not currently a licensed electrician in Delaware. Mr. Greenley added that Mr. Noble has an excellent work ethic and he has nothing negative to say about him.

The Board had no questions for this witness.

Brian White, witness #3 for Mr. Noble, was sworn in and testified that Mr. Noble has done numerous electrical jobs for him over the last several years and he has an excellent work ethic and there was nothing negative to say about Mr. Noble. Mr. White added that Mr. Noble has also been a tenant of his for last several years and he is a very good father.

Mr. Noble asked if Mr. White, being his landlord, has ever witnessed him having any issues that reflect the criminal convictions that he had.

Mr. White stated that he has never witnessed any such behavior from Mr. Noble.

The Board had no questions for this witness.

There was nothing further from any of the three witnesses.

In closing, Mr. Noble stated that he would like the chance to better his life and an electrical license would do just that. Mr. Noble reiterated that the criminal convictions of his past do not affect the professional or person that he is today.

The hearing went off record and into deliberations.

The hearing went back on record at 9:50 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. King, to grant a waiver and approve Mr. Noble's Limited Electrician examination application. The motion was unanimously carried.

The hearing went off record and adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Verbatim testimony was taken by a court reporter.

#### Re-Review of Applications

After review of additional documentation, a motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to approve the Master Electrical reciprocity application of Warren Vizzard. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **New Business**

## **Review of Examination Results**

The Board reviewed the examination results that showed out of twelve candidates only five had passing scores: Master Electrical: Robert Frees, Chris Gabriele, James Zachrel, and Marvin Parker, and Limited Electrical: Brandon Ksiazek.

## **Review of Examination Applications**

A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the Master Electricial examination applications of Robert Turner, Scott Slothour, Andrew Faulkner, Rocky Shoemaker, Theodore Lindell, G. Michael McFann, and Jason VanAulen, and the Limited Electrical examination applications of Tony Aiello, Ronald McKee, and Ian Alpirez. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the Master Electrical examination application of Jeffrey Adkins pending receipt of verification of master licensee supervision. The motion was unanimously carried.

## Review of Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. King, to approve the Master Electrician applications of Ronald Slonecker, Robert Ringgold, Michael Patane, William Decker, Mark LaMarra and Robert McConathey. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Journeyperson/Apprentice Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to approve the Journeyperson applications of Floyd Hall, Adam Candeloro, Daniel Kintzer, Robert Harbaugh, Michael Haycraft, Albert Perrone, Troy Lacy, Robert Husbands, Nelson Faulkner III, Dennis Gregg, Jonathan Harrison, Brian Kerr, Michael Cherico, Matthew Bailey, John Angeline, Juan Zenon, Joshua Thompson, Robert Sligh, Daniel Meyers, Jeffrey Green, Matthew Gregg, Mark Cuomo, Michael Zlrkelback, Jim Bailey, James Baker, Joseph Mirabile, Larry Wolfe, Alfred Bowden, Donald Wright, Gary Mitchell, John Holodick, John Hastings, Harry Cook, Lawrence Buchert, John Boc, Jr., Earl Rolfe, Joseph Habbart, James Beatson, James Lister, George Patterson, Jr., Anthony Ruff, Daniel Kalesse, William Nickum, Allen Edge, James Alexander, Paul Craven, James Paraskewich, Andrew Lavelle, Christopher Santore, Horace Pedrick, Jr., and Ramon Caban. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to table the Journeyperson application of William Cannon for verification of 8,000 hours or completion of apprenticeship. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murrian, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to table the Apprentice application of John Allen for verification of enrollment in an apprenticeship program. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Review of Continuing Education**

A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to approve the following continuing education courses as follows:

#### Frank Caniglia

-Equipment Over 600 Volts Article 490, 5 hours

#### American Electrical Institute

- -NEC 2011 Code Change, 10 hours
- -2011 National Electrical Code Updates Part 1 (online), 5 hours

## **AAA Contractor Training**

-2011 National Electrical Code Updates Part 2 (online), 5 hours

## Kaleb Brashear

- -On the Job Safety, 1 hour
- -Interior Environments: Wiring Existing Buildings, 1 hour
- -Designing a Functional and Reliable Intrusion Alarm System, 1 hour
- -Alarm Sensors in Review, 3 hours
- -VOM (Volt OHM Meter) Operation & Test Equipment, 2 hours
- -The System, Using All of the Components Together, 4 hours
- -Panel Testing, 1 hour
- -Basic Electronics for Security Review, 1 hour
- -IP Addressing for LANs and the Internet (IP Networking for Physical Security Part 2), 1 hour
- -Wired and Wireless Connection of Devices onto Local Networks
- (IP Networking for Physical Security Part 3), 1 hour

The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to table the application of NTT Technical Training for additional documentation. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Complaints Open/Closed

01-04-09-Closed 01-01-11-Assigned to Hearing Officer 01-03-11-Assigned 01-04-11-Assigned 01-07-11-Assigned

01-08-11-Forwarded to AG's Office

01-01-12-Assigned

01-02-12-Assigned

01-03-12-Assigned

01-04-12-Assigned

## Applications for Review-Danny Stevenson

After review, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to propose to deny the Master Electrician application of Charles Lansinger III for administrative penalities and requested that a hearing be scheduled. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

## OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Ms. Witte welcomed Mr. Murrian to the Board as a new professional member.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Brittingham stated that there was a letter that was hand delivered to the Board's Liaison prior to the start of the meeting from the Sussex County Electrical Contractors Association to the attention of Mr. Collins that he wanted added to the minutes as being received.

Ms. Witte stated that it was received and the concerns would be addressed during the Workshop following the meeting.

Charlie Robbins addressed the Board on concerns as to how this new Bill would affect the HVACR licensees and asked if there will be any Grandfather provisions for these professionals.

Mr. MacLennan stated that this is an item that will be addressed during the Workshop.

Rob Briccotto, Jr., with Esquire Plumbing & Heating and past member of the Plumbing and HVACR Board, expressed the same concerns regarding the effects of HB 180 on the HVACR licensees and the verification of experience where testing for the electrical license.

Dean Sherman, member of the Plumbing and HVACR Board, stated that HB 180 does not create any language for the plumbing and HVACR licensees and appears to only apply to the electrical contractors.

Mr. MacLennan addressed both Plumbing and HVACR licensees that they should have a licensed Master Special or Limited Special Electrician on staff that would be able to perform the electrical services and reiterated that this will be further discussed during the Workshop.

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 in Conference Room A on the second floor with a possibility of it being held again in the PSC Hearing Room on the first floor of the Cannon Bldg. 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover DE, depending on availability.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Murrian, to adjourn. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Witte

Administrative Specialist II